

## THE BRITISH COLONIST

Monday Morn'g, Feb. 18, 1861.

## Progress of Liberty.

The present momentous political crisis in the United States is regarded by many liberal-minded men as proof-positive of the unadaptability of republican institutions to mankind; and affords the rank conservative an opportunity to build up false theories in favor of greater restraints upon individual liberty. We differ with the first; and we are opposed to the second. No one conversant with the history of the slavery question in the United States could fail to foresee a crisis. It was but a matter of time; and sooner or later the slavery issue had to be met. The present crisis is only a preliminary phase of the great national question. The free North who have elected Lincoln do not ask, as some ignorantly suppose, for the abolition of slavery. They want merely to define its boundaries; and say—"So far shalt thou go and no farther, and there shall thy proud waves be stayed." The great Northern free-soil party wish simply to limit slavery to the States in which it now exists; there to be dealt with as each individual State may think proper, either to flourish or decay, without the let, hindrance, or intervention of the Federal Government. The free millions of the North have decided the first declining phase of the slavery issue; the second and final phase—the emancipation of the slaves—remains untouched except by a small but active body of Northern abolitionists. Let the present crisis be satisfactorily settled without a disruption of the Union; let even disunion occur; or let even a Southern confederacy be formed, still the slavery issue has to be settled, and finally settled by the emancipation of the last African. But which ever way secession may end, we see nothing to cause the friends of free institutions, universal suffrage, or political equality, to falter in their allegiance to the divine right of every man to be free and equal; nor anything to stop the enthronement of the people in all their majesty. On the contrary, we behold in the national upheaval of the United States the strongest guarantees for the perpetuation of human freedom. We find more men, more freemen, more intelligent men, have freely and voluntarily declared in 1860 for human freedom in the Free States and in the Slave States than have ever done so before, at one time, in the civilized world. No similar event ever occurred on the globe. English emancipation pales before it. So grand a decision is an era in the history of the world; and will be marked in after ages as the anniversary of a victory gained over the oppressors of mankind. A victory for freedom worthily and fitly won by freemen; and a victory which freemen everywhere may hail with one universal shout of joy.

When the independence of the Western Republic was acknowledged, the intelligence of Europe was rapidly paving the way for freedom. When the torch of American liberty was transplanted to France, she kindled into a blaze, and the friends of progress hailed the light as the dawn of European emancipation. But when anarchy was substituted for rational liberty, when the people from being oppressed became oppressors, when the guillotine was used for personal revenge instead of the instrument of vindictive justice,—then even many liberal minds became timid, halted in the march of human advancement, and became the strong friends of the few and deadly foes of the many. But even then, in the darkest hour of European liberty when popular government sank lowest, there were those who kept alive the fires of the altar of liberty like those of the school of Fox, which eventuated in all the great English reforms of the nineteenth century. In like manner were we told by the next advices that the United States were involved in all the horrors of civil or even servile war, we would rest confident in the belief that when the factions had exhausted their strength and declared a truce to further violence, then would the race make greater strides in civilization than ever before.

In fact, the broad democratic doctrines of Christianity have leavened the whole of humanity; and as they all hope for immortal equality, so they are inspired to attain to a temporal equality in the visible world. Christianity has been the great teacher of democracy; and with the diffusion of intelligence, the extension of the peaceful art of commerce everywhere, and the recognition that the road to wealth is industry, there is a general movement throughout the world for greater liberty. Even kings, and absolute rulers recognise the signs of the times, and suit their sails to the popular breeze. Their safety depends on it. A glance tells us that the crowned heads of Europe are slowly placing themselves in the van of progress. Russia is emancipa-

ling her serfs, and guaranteeing social liberty. Louis Napoleon, the master-mind of Europe, is extending greater constitutional privileges to his subjects—free discussion in the Senate and Corps Legislatifs, with the free publication of debates. Italy, by the sword and universal suffrage, has nearly put an end to kingcraft, priestcraft, and statecraft within the peninsula; thus building up a constitutional ally for England to neutralize the overshadowing power of France and Russia. Austria, also, rather than let her Emperor abdicate, purposes regenerating Hungary. The smaller European principalities naturally follow in the footsteps of the great powers. China, at the feet of the Western conquerors, receives a lesson to relinquish exclusiveness and cultivate liberty; whilst her own rebels are but the advance guard of greater freedom. Japan also feels the spirit of progress; and the extension of the British sway over India and its dependencies mark a progressive era. In short, the globe itself is alive with the spirit of progress, and martyrs are every day made to promote human liberty. If, therefore, the United States should become involved in a civil war, and dissolve the Union, liberty will still flourish; so strong is its hold on universal humanity that no human power can stop the regeneration of mankind.

## Fire at Christ Church.

Shortly after 11 o'clock yesterday morning, while divine service was being conducted at the Episcopal Church on the hill by the Lord Bishop of Columbia and the Rev. Mr. Cridge, the rector, a spark of fire was observed to fall from the ceiling almost immediately in the rear of the pulpit, to the floor. The sexton repaired to the outside of the building and saw smoke issuing from the roof of the edifice, near the stovepipe. The fact was immediately communicated to the congregation, and the church bell rang violently. The neighbors turned out in considerable force and joined with the male portion of the congregation in adopting means for the preservation of the edifice. Ladders were procured and raised, and a volunteer bucket-company having been formed, water was passed up to some men who had ascended to the roof and the flames were soon extinguished.

In the meantime, the alarm had been carried to the truck-house, the bell rang, and the firemen, notwithstanding a heavy rain-storm that prevailed at the time, and the seas of mud in the streets through which they were compelled to draw their machines, were quickly en route towards the church; but upon reaching the corner of Fort and Blanchard streets, they learned that the fire was out, and returned to town.

The fire is said to have been discovered by Bishop Hills, whose attention during service was attracted to the ceiling on hearing a peculiar, cracking noise, which he at first supposed to proceed from rats or loose shingles. The escape of the edifice from utter destruction is truly wonderful; and the timely discovery and speedy extinguishment of the fire, are subjects of general congratulation. The accident must have originated from a defect in the stove-pipe. His Excellency Governor Douglas, who was attending the service, demeaned himself with characteristic coolness and self-possession, and materially assisted, by his advice and direction, in quenching the flames. He remained on the spot until all danger was announced to be over, and then withdrew to his residence. The congregation retired in an orderly manner, and without the least show of excitement or alarm. The damage will not reach \$200.

**MAN DROWNED.**—Yesterday morning, about 3 o'clock, an Englishman, known as "Long Jack," a hand employed on board the sloop John Thornton, in attempting to pass from the bows to the stern of that vessel over some hay, while off Albert's Head, missed his footing and fell overboard. The person at the helm threw him a rope, but it did not reach the unfortunate man, and after calling for help three times, he sank beneath the waves. He was about 23 years of age, has been employed on a farm at Dungeness, W. T., for some fifteen months past, and was a deserter from one of Her Majesty's ships at Esquimalt.

**ARRIVAL.**—The new sloop John Thornton, Capt. Clark, arrived yesterday morning from Dungeness. She is of about 45 tons burthen, and has for a cargo ten tons of hay, 1200 bushels of potatoes, and 500 bushels of oats. She anchored off the Hydah Indian encampment.

**ON A ROCK.**—The schooner Cadboro ran on the sunken rock in the harbor opposite the Custom House, during Saturday night. She sustained no damage, and will float off at next high water.

**THE SCHOONER NANAIMO PACKET** arrived from Orcas Island yesterday afternoon, with 30 tons of potatoes; also, the schooner Wild Pigeon, from Port Townsend.

**SHELDON'S GIFT ENTERTAINMENT.**—On Saturday night Moore's Musical Hall was densely crowded with an orderly and respectable audience, who had assembled to witness the performances of the Robinson Dramatic Troupe, and to draw a prize (if possible) from among the gifts offered by Mr. Sheldon. "Perfection, or the Maid of Munster," was the first piece offered, in which Miss Susan Robinson as Kate O'Brien; Mrs. Clara as Susan; B. S. Mortimer as Sam, W. H. Robinson as Charles, and J. B. Robinson as Sir Lawrence, played their several parts with an artistic grace and finish that cannot be too highly praised. If anybody ever doubted the popularity of this highly efficient troupe, such doubts must have been completely set at rest on Saturday evening by the applause with which its members were severally received when they appeared. The afterpiece of the "Loan of a Lover," a pretty little vaudeville, was performed in an excellent manner, Miss Robinson in the character of Gertrude, and Mr. W. H. Robinson as Peter Spike, making many new admirers. At the close of the performances a committee of three from the audience was selected to superintend the drawing of the prizes, and a lad having been also selected from the audience, the drawing commenced. The first prize described in the list as a "fine gold hunting-cased double-time independent second watch, chronometer balance, valued at \$175," was won by Henry Nagle, who held ticket No. 434; the second prize, a lady's gold watch, valued at \$100, was won by John Vrooman, who held ticket No. 25. The third prize, a silver-cased patent lever, was won by F. J. de St. Ours, who held ticket No. 138. The fourth prize, a guard chain, ticket 151; fifth prize, a gentleman's ring, ticket 40; sixth prize, a vest chain, ticket 95; seventh prize, a lady's neck chain, ticket 202; eighth prize, a diamond ring, ticket 574; ninth prize, a gold pencil, ticket 429; tenth prize, a set of gold-mounted brooch and earrings, ticket 417; eleventh prize, a pair of gold bracelets, ticket 51; twelfth prize, a cameo brooch, ticket 332; thirteenth prize, a California gold ring, ticket 41; fourteenth prize, a set of sleeve buttons, ticket 477; fifteenth prize, a set of gold studs, ticket 356; sixteenth prize, a gold thimble, ticket 349; seventeenth prize, a lady's enameled ring, ticket 594; eighteenth prize, a lady's enameled ring, ticket 451; nineteenth prize, a gold thimble, ticket 418; twentieth prize, a gold thimble, ticket 243. As the successful numbers were called out there was considerable applause; and at the conclusion of the drawing, the vast audience separated for their homes, evidently well satisfied with the whole affair.

## Up-River News.

The steamer Otter arrived from New Westminster yesterday afternoon. She brought 15 passengers and \$10,000 in gold.

Mr. W. T. Ballou sends us the following items, under date of New Westminster, 16th inst.:

The body of Harrison White, formerly one of the proprietors of the saw-mill at Fort Hope, has been picked up by the Indians at the Indian rancheria twelve miles above Harrison river. There are marks of foul play having been resorted to on his person. I will send you a report of the coroner's examination.

The Convention for the purpose of organizing a representative Government for this colony, is being held here. Much enthusiasm is exhibited. An arch has been raised in front of Scott's theatre. It contains many mottoes. Yale seems to have "seceded," as there is no representative from that town present. Douglas, Hope and other towns, seem to be represented by men who thoroughly understand the work before them.

Four steamers left this place for points above to-day. Freight to Douglas is \$6 per ton; to Hope, \$5; to Yale, \$7. Passage to Hope is \$2; to Yale, \$3; to Douglas, \$2.

New Westminster continues to improve. F. Richards is putting up a large saloon on Liverpool wharf.

Preparations are being made for a grand ball at Hicks' Hall on the 22d inst.

Two Indians were murdered and their bodies thrown into the river last night. Two other Indians were the perpetrators, and the murder occurred in the upper part of the town.

Mr. L. H. Meyers, the Cayoosh expressman, writes us that three Indians are supposed to have been the murderers of M. Price, at Cayoosh, on the 2d inst. One is in custody. A squaw reported that she had seen them with bloody clothes on.

**A VISIT TO BRITISH COLUMBIA.**—His Excellency Governor Douglas contemplates leaving for British Columbia during the coming or following week, when he will take occasion to visit several of the mining localities and examine personally into the condition of affairs. In the spring, we learn, he will proceed to Cariboo and Fort Alexander.

**PUT OFF.**—The trials of Mitchell and Machivelli, residents of Esquimalt, on the indictments found against them of having stolen a quantity of goods from the wreck of the bark Nannette, has been postponed till the next Assizes on account of the absence of Captain E. H. King, a material witness for the prosecution.

**THE LIGHTHOUSES.**—The time set for receiving tenders for supplying the lighthouses with provisions, coal, water, etc., will expire on Tuesday next, at 4 P. M.

**TREES.**—Messrs. Pease & Boyce, Union Wharf, having received a choice lot of fruit trees from the Olympia Nursery, are now prepared to supply the public at low rates.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## SEEDS!

## FRESH

## GARDEN SEEDS!

## FROM THE

## SHAKERS' GARDENS,

## NEW YORK.

These Seeds can be relied upon as FRESH and true to their kind.

For sale by

CURTIS &amp; MOORE.

## FLOWER SEEDS!

## A CHOICE COLLECTION

AND

## GREAT VARIETY.

For sale by

CURTIS &amp; MOORE.

## Grass Seeds!

A large lot of

## CLOVER AND TIMOTHY SEEDS.

For sale low by

CURTIS &amp; MOORE.

DRUGGISTS,  
Yates street, Victoria.

## GYMNASIUM BALL.

## Postponement.

**A MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY** Evening, 15th inst., it was resolved, That our Ball, advertised to take place on the 20th inst., be postponed until Thursday the (following) 21st inst. Gentlemen wishing to attend can procure tickets of the Committee.  
Feb 18 2dp F. P. GERRY, Sec'y.

## Opening Ball

OF THE

**Excelsior Gymnastic Club,**  
WILL BE GIVEN AT THEIR NEW  
Hall, Broughton street, on  
Thursday Evening, Feb. 21, 1861

## Committee of Arrangements:

S. L. KELLY, S. GOLDSTONE,  
F. P. GERRY, J. L. SMITH,  
J. F. HAWKS.

## Invitation Committee:

J. A. MCCREA, C. W. WALLACE, JR.  
E. H. JACKSON, J. L. SMITH,  
G. C. WEBSTER.

## Reception Committee:

L. LOWENBERG, J. F. HAWKS,  
J. P. COUCH, F. P. GERRY,  
D. A. EDGAR.

## Floor Managers:

M. C. MONSARRAT, ROBT. GEORGE,  
FRANK TARBELL, W. T. MOORE,  
S. GOLDSTONE.

Tickets \$5; to be had of either of the above Committees.  
Carriages free; will be in attendance at seven o'clock, P. M.

## EMBROIDERIES!

AT

## N. MOORE &amp; CO'S.

## JUST RECEIVED

Direct from Glasgow, Scotland, a large lot of new

## Embroideries!

CONSISTING OF

## FLOUNCINGS,

## INSERTIONS,

## COLLARS,

AND

## Broche Sets!

Also, a large Stock of DRY GOODS, Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods, Men and Boys' Clothing.

N. MOORE & CO.,  
Feb 18 1m Yates St. opposite Langley St.

## GROCERIES, ETC.

## Bark Nannette.

## NOTICE.

MR. JAS. LOWE AND SONS, of Glasgow, are authorised by the consignees of all accounts connected with the wrecked bark Nannette. Consignees are respectfully requested to furnish these gentlemen with information in the shape of copies of invoices, or otherwise tending towards the identification of the proprietorship of opened packages that have been sold.  
ALEX. R. C. ANDERSON,  
Agent for Lloyds.  
Feb 16 1f

## Steamboat Hull For Sale.

A NEW STEAMBOAT HULL, 110 feet long, with 14 ft. beam, 10 ft. draft, and 1000 horse power. The hull is in perfect condition, and is for sale at a low price.  
STEWART & JOHNSTON,  
Feb 14 1m

## LESTER &amp; CO.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED, from the London and Manchester, 50 boxes Candles; 100 lbs Self-Rising & Golden Syrup; 3000 lbs Bacon (choice); 2500 lbs Butter; 20 sacks Java Coffee; 25 sacks Rio Coffee; 10 chests superior Black Tea; 20 lbs Crushed Sugar; Lobsters; Oysters; Worcester Sauce; J & H Lard; Pickles; Syrup, &c. &c.  
In store and for sale at low rates by  
LESTER & CO.,  
Yates street, near Washington.  
N. B.—A choice lot of Fresh Butter for Family use.  
Feb 14 1f

## KWONG LEE &amp; CO.,

## Commission Merchants.

Importers and Dealers in

## CHINESE GOODS,

Rice, Sugar, Tea, Provisions, etc.,

## CORMORANT STREET.

Between Government and Douglas streets,  
VICTORIA, V. I. Feb 11 1m

## HIBBEN &amp; CARSWELL

## Booksellers and Stationers,

RECEIVE ADDITIONS BY NEARLY

every Steamer to their present large Stock of

## School, Standard, and Miscellaneous

## BOOKS,

Embracing most of the Modern and Ancient Standard Authors in

## POETRY AND FICTION,

MECHANICS, AGRICULTURE,

HISTORY, BIOGRAPHY, RELIGION,

Law, Medicine, Sciences, Music, etc.,

## BIBLES, HYMN AND PRAYER BOOKS,

## MAPS,

In Sections of both Hemispheres

## —ALSO—

## Stationery,

Consisting of

## BLANK WORK IN GREAT VARIETY,

from Miniature to Counting House size,

## Writing Papers and Materials,

Printers' Stationery and Wrapping Paper,

## Playing and Visiting Cards

Letter, Note and Official Envelopes,

## MUSIC AND MUSIC PAPER,

Drawing and Tracing Paper and Cloth,

## DRAWING BOOKS &amp; INSTRUMENTS,

Pocket and Counting House Diaries for 1861.

## Blank, Law and Shipping Forms,

Log Books, Time Books, Draft and Note and Order Books.

## SHIPPING RECEIPTS,

Copying Presses, Eyelet Machines,

And a variety of other Fancy and Staple Stationery, and a good assortment of

## GOLD PENS AND

## POCKET CUTLERY.

STATIONERS' HALL,  
Feb 22 1m 10 Yates St.

## EX "ALMA," FROM LONDON.

100 CASES PALE MAHUELL BRANDY

100 cases Dark

10 cases U. V. Proprietors

500 cases McKenzie's Old Tom;

10 cases Do. Do.

150 cases Do. Scotch Whisky;

10 cases Do. Do.

Port Wine, Rum Shrub, Burgundy, Brand, etc.

For sale by

WM. MUIR,  
Langley street, on Yates

## HENRY HOLBROOK,

## Commission Merchant,

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

WHARFAGE on all goods landed at his Wharf will be at the rate of 25 cents per ton, such being one-half the rate fixed by Government.

BONDED AND FREE STORAGE ready for 500 tons Goods. Feb 2

L. A. BLANC,

Watchmaker and Jeweller, Government street, Victoria, V. I.

ON HAND—A FINE ASSORTMENT of Watches, Clocks and Jewellery.

Particular attention paid to the Manufacture of Watch Cases, Diamond and Quartz Work, and all other kinds of Jewellery made to order and repaired at shortest notice. Feb 26 1m

S. DUCK,

Wheelwright & Carriage Maker,

At T. CAMERON'S, (Blacksmiths),

Cormorant street.

Orders punctually attended to, at a warranted good. all work done at 16m.

Mr. JOHN COPLAND,

CHAMBERS,

No. 36 YATES STREET, VICTORIA, V. I.

d19 3m

FOR SALE,

40 TONS SWEDISH TURNIPS.

Also, 800 bushels Island Potatoes, at the Farm of JOHN DUNNALL & SONS, Beaton Hill.

Feb 20 1m



RECEIVED,  
OF THE SANTA CRUZ,  
The Largest and Finest Assortment of White  
**SHIRTS,**  
Ever Exhibited in this City  
No. 133,  
A NEW STYLE OF BOX PLAIT;  
No. 248,  
**BISHOP COLLARS.**  
Without Collars;  
No. 267,  
Bishop Collars, Byron Collars, and without Collars;  
No. 300,  
**FANCY DRESS SHIRTS,**  
Neat and Small Patterns;  
A NEW STYLE OF  
Byron and Garrote Collars  
Never before Exhibited in this City.  
Those who have been waiting for these Goods to arrive, would do well to call soon and examine  
**N. POINTER,**  
GOVERNMENT STREET,  
Second door South of the Post Office.  
Ja22 1m  
**"Cheap John."**  
THE WELL KNOWN HOUSE OF "CHEAP JOHN," EVERYBODY'S FRIEND, has opened in Yates' Building, Yates street, near corner of Wharf, and next door to McDonald, the Banker. It will be well for everybody to call and see us. Our old customers we know will continue to patronize us, for they know that our goods are the best and cheapest in the market.  
All Orders from the country promptly attended to, at the  
**Lowest Market Price, for Cash.**  
Merchants and others will find it to their advantage to call and examine our Stock, as we are always well supplied with an extensive assortment of Goods, consisting of  
All kinds of Clothing,  
FIT EITHER FOR THE MINES OR BALL ROOM  
**FURNISHING GOODS,**  
Of every Description;  
**HATS AND CAPS**  
In every Style;  
**BOOTS AND SHOES**  
From the best Makers;  
**OUTLERY, PERFUMERY, ACCORDEONS, PLAYING CARDS, TOBACCO, SEGARS, CANDLES, YANKEE NOTIONS, ETC.**  
Our motto is "GOOD GOODS FOR LITTLE MONEY." Terms Cash. Only one price, on the "No more, no less" principle.  
**D. & H. SHIRPSER,**  
Cheap Johns, Auctioneers and Commission Merchants.  
Ja26 1m  
**J. FRIED,**  
**SOLE AGENT**  
FOR  
**GROVER & BAKER'S**  
**FIRST PREMIUM**  
**NOISELESS**  
**FAMILY SEWING**  
**MACHINES,**  
IN  
**BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
AND  
**VANCOUVER ISLAND,**  
No. 21 Yates street,  
VICTORIA.  
Call and examine for yourselves.  
Jul 2m  
**Monsarrat & Co**  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,  
Wharf Street, Victoria,  
ARE REGULARLY IN RECEIPT OF  
assortments of Sandwich Island Produce of all kinds, and have now on hand ex "Jenny Ford," "Mary Ellen," and other late arrivals. SYRUPS, MOLASSES, SUGARS, in small kegs and larger packages, which they offer for sale at low prices.  
Ja24

**WASHINGTON RESTAURANT**  
—AND—  
**COFFEE SALOON,**  
GOVERNMENT ST. bet. YATES AND JOHNSON  
MEALS FURNISHED AT ALL HOURS  
on the shortest notice and best style.  
**THE FINEST WINES, PORTER, ALE**  
—AND—  
**SEGARS,**  
Ja21 1m  
**Hurrah for Cheap Living**  
OPPOSITION TO ALL  
AT FRANK'S (formerly Miner's) RESTAURANT,  
On Waddington Alley, near Yates street.  
**FRANK FABER HAVING GREATLY**  
enlarged his Culinary Department, takes pleasure in informing the public generally that he will, after the first of January, open his Restaurant in an entirely new style. He will thereafter lay on his Tables, a bill of Fare, so that his customers can eat whatever best suits their taste. Having had many years' experience in his business, and taking the head of the Cooking Department himself, he feels assured that none can give better or cheaper meals than him. All the delicacies as well as the substantial of the season at from 6 1/2 to 12 1/2 cents a plate.  
Feb 11  
**Hotel International,**  
Jackson street, a few doors above Montgomery st.,  
SAN FRANCISCO,  
**FOSTER, PATTEN & CO.,** (SUCCESSORS  
to J. J. Haley.) Proprietors.  
Having purchased the interest of Mr. Haley in this well known Hotel, the subscribers beg to say to the old patrons of the house and the public generally, that they have made many alterations and improvements, and refurnished and renovated the house, adding an elegant private hall for the entrance of ladies, and are determined that in the future the house shall possess all the requisites of a FIRST CLASS Hotel in every particular.  
Our Mr. Patten has been bookkeeper for the house for the past two years, and Mr. Foster has been connected with the ocean steamers of this coast for the past eight years as purser, and cheerfully offers his services to families and others in procuring steamer passage, in advance of their arrival here.  
NO ADVANCE IN PRICES. Coaches of the Hotel always in readiness.  
Ja23 3m FOSTER, PATTEN & CO.  
**NESBITT & CO.,**  
Corner of Broad and Yates streets.  
**THE ABOVE MENTIONED FIRM**  
having just received the latest and best machinery, are prepared to fill all orders for  
**PILOT BREAD,**  
**NAVY BREAD,**  
**SODA CRACKERS,**  
**Sugar Crackers, Butter Crackers**  
**PICNIC CRACKERS,**  
**WATER CRACKERS,**  
At the shortest notice and most reasonable rates.  
A large and fresh assortment constantly on hand.  
Ja21 1m  
**PACIFIC INSURANCE AGENCY,**  
(Representing 11 Companies.)  
McLEAN & FOWLER, Agents. .... San Francisco.  
**THE UNDERSIGNED, IN ADDITION**  
to making terms for  
**Fire Risks in Victoria,**  
Is now prepared to insure, in Open Policies,  
**Cargo, Freight and Treasure.**  
From Victoria and New Westminster to Ports on Columbia River, and vice versa.  
From Victoria, New Westminster and Ports on Puget Sound to San Francisco.  
From Victoria to China.  
**ROBT. GEORGE,**  
Local Agent.  
del 3m2w-1a  
**ANTOINE FOSSORIER,**  
Chromometer Watchmaker and Jeweller,  
Government street, near Johnson.  
(FROM GENEVA, SWITZERLAND.)  
Music Boxes, Chronometers, and Watches repaired and regulated for Two Years.  
All kinds of Jewelry repaired.  
del 4 3m  
**W. CULVERWELL,**  
General Agency for the Collection of  
Rents and Debts,  
**INTELLIGENCE OFFICE,**  
Money Loaned on Good Security,  
Bookkeeping, Documents Copied, Etc.  
In cases requiring a power of Attorney, security will be furnished. Office, upstairs, cor. Yates and Langley streets, Victoria.  
Feb 9 1m  
**MACDONALD & CO.,**  
Office on Yates street.  
**SELL CHECKS AT SIGHT ON TALLANT**  
& WILDE, Bankers, San Francisco.  
Furnish Bills of Exchange in sums to suit, and at current rates on New York and London.  
Pay highest prices for Bars and Gold Dust.  
Make advances on Gold Dust for assay or coinage in San Francisco.  
Purchase Navy Bills and Bills on London.  
del 3m2w  
**Hall's Sarsaparilla, Yellow Dock**  
and Iodide of Potass is prepared from the finest Jamaica Sarsaparilla and English Iodide of Potass—admirable as a restorative and purifier of the blood, it cleanses the system of all morbid and impure matter—removes pimples, boils, and eruptions from the skin—cures rheumatism and pains of all kinds. All who can afford should use it, as it tends to give them strength and prolong life.  
Sold by Druggists generally at \$1 per bottle.  
R. HALL & CO., Proprietors,  
Wholesale Druggists, 143 and 145 Clay street,  
Below Montgomery, San Francisco  
Ja21 6m  
**Societe Francaise de Bienfaisance.**  
**LES SOCIETAIRES SONT PREVE-**  
nus qu'une reunion preparatoire aura lieu le 1er Fevrier a 8 heures du soir, rue Johnson, en face du Tiger Engine Co., pour entendre toutes propositions et se preparer a la nomination d'un Nouveau Comite pour l'annee courante, et tous les societaires sont invites a etre presents, ainsi qu'a l'assemblee generale qui aura lieu Mardi 19 Fevrier, a la meme heure et dans le meme local.  
Par ordre du Comite,  
Le Secretaire par Interim.  
J. B. TIMMERMAN.  
Ja21 6m  
**FOR SALE.**  
**400 SACKS LINN CLAY MILLS Extra**  
FLOUR,  
400 sacks Golden Gate Extra Flour.  
J. J. SO. LIGATE & Co.,  
Wharf street.  
Ja22 1m  
**Blacksmiths' Coals.**  
**30 TONS BEST NEWCASTLE (ENG-**  
lish), equal to Cumberland. For sale in lots to suit, at \$18 per ton.  
E. COFER  
Victoria, V. I., Jan. 30, 1881.  
Ja31 1m  
**VICTORIA BATHS,**  
Government St., near Dr. Zeller's Drug Store.  
**HYPOPHOSPHATE BATHS, HARKER**  
Hair Dresser, has just opened these new baths and is ready to accommodate the public.  
**Sulphuric, Vapor Baths, &c., &c.**  
PERFUMERY of all descriptions, and all ornaments Hair Work made at the shortest notice and in the Parisian style.  
Feb 1m\* HYPOPHOSPHATE BATHS, Proprietor.  
**UNDERTAKING.**  
**THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING A COMPLETE**  
Stock on hand, is now prepared to execute any order thereon, on the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.  
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